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Famous old boys return to school for its 60th anniversary

Pupils brighten railway station

Kath and Keith Garlick with some of the many cards they received to mark their diamond wedding anniversary

From dancing feet to diamond feat!

A COUPLE of who first met across a crowded dance floor are celebrating their own sparkling feat after 60 years of marriage.

And the diamond duo from Tarleton took a step back in time with their choice of venue for a family celebration meal at the Dog and Partridge Inn - where Keith held his stag party!

After first stepping out with one another at the Floral Hall in Southport, the couple enjoyed many a twirl both before and after tying the knot.

And Keith is still an avid line-dancer, although Kath prefers the gentler pursuits of yoga these days!

After serving an apprenticeship as a toolmaker, 84-year-old Keith later worked as a draughtsman at Brockhouse Engineering in Crossens until it closed and then as an engineering consultant in Preston before retiring in 1987.

Kath, 80, was an apprentice in the hairdressing department of Marshall and Snelgroves in Lord Street and after qualifying she opened her own salon in Tarleton.

CARRIE DEFIES PAIN FOR CHARITY'S GAIN

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

Eventing ace completes gruelling sponsored 24-hour ride with both arms in plaster!

AN international eventing competitor defied the pain of two broken arms to complete a gruelling 24-hour sponsored ride as part of a fundraising drive for a charity which aims to help people suffering from a range of behavioural disorders.

Carrie Byrom from Parbold staged the ride, using 24 different horses, as part of a bid to raise £10,000 for her community interest company, Stable Lives.

The 35-year-old, whose family run the Parbold Equestrian Centre riding school and event team in Bradshaw Lane, set up the company after several of Carrie's friends were diagnosed with Post Traumatic Anxiety Disorder (PTSD).

Carrie realised that being around the horses helped sufferers with issues such as confidence and reintegrating into local communities.

And although originally aimed at helping military veterans and their families with respite and self-esteem, it now caters for all ages and a range of issues, including schoolchildren with behavioural problems and older people suffering with dementia.

Now they are ready to expand the charity to the 'next level' by installing a Mongolian Yurt, costing £10,000, to be sited at the riding school and used for respite activities. They are also aiming to upgrade their toilet facilities to make them disabled-friendly.

They held a stall at the Parbold Village Festival earlier this month, which raised more than £700, while Carrie raised £2,500 with her 24 hour ride, completed with both arms in plaster casts after falling at cross-country trials earlier this year, shattering her left wrist and breaking her right elbow!

Carrie with her support team during her sponsored 24-hour ride

To date they have raised around £4,000 and hope to have reached their target by November. In the meantime they are being loaned a Yurt which is being set up by the charity's veterans next week.

Carrie said: "We set up the charity to provide support and respite, we are using the animals and the land to provide the community with somewhere that can help them and their families to come together and bond. We want them to enjoy our support and build happy memories for them. As well as individual support for veterans, their partners and children, we want them to enjoy family days as well and the Yurt will play a big part in this.

"We are ready, after three years, to expand the charity and take it to the next level. We are going to hold a series of 24-hour themed fundraisers as these demonstrate endurance through difficult situations - something that those with PTSD and other mental heath disorders have to live with every day.

"We want to be at the heart of the community and to extend our support to anyone who wants to get involved. We are hoping for arts groups or photography classes and older residents to come along and join us too."

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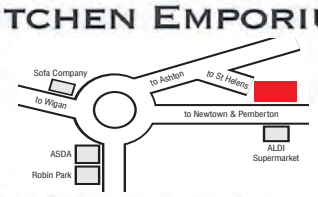

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Public invited to put forward projects for possible inclusion in borough's work programme for 2017/18

WEST Lancs Council is giving members of the public the opportunity to contribute towards delivering improvements that can benefit the people of the borough.

The authority's corporate and environmental overview and scrutiny committee is inviting residents to submit topic suggestions for consideration for inclusion in its work programme for 2017/18.

The committee will then put forward any appropriate recommendations to cabinet and council which can influence future decisions on policy and important decisions the council may make.

Topics can cover any area of the authority's work and in some cases the work of partner organisations that might have significance for the local community in West Lancashire.

The reviews carried out by the committee provide a valuable insight into issues facing local communities and can assist the work of the council and lead to significant improvements for residents.

Councillor Nikki Hennessy

Reviews in previous years have covered a wide range of topics including cycling in West Lancashire; healthy schools; alcohol and associated problems; speeding traffic; climate change; affordable housing; neighbourhood management; older peoples' services and tourism, to name but a few.

If you have a suggestion that you think might be suitable you can email your ideas to member.services@westlancs.gov.uk or call 01695 585016.

The deadline for topic suggestions for the work programme is Friday, August 4.

Councillor Nikki Hennessy, chairman of the corporate and environmental overview and scrutiny committee, said: "Scrutiny is an important part of our democratic duties and I am looking forward to hearing residents' thoughts and suggestions for consideration by the committee to assist us in setting a work programme for scrutiny topics that can help make a real difference to the borough."

The scrutiny meetings take place at the council offices, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk starting at 7pm and are open to the public.

The dates of future meetings are Thursday, October 12, 2017; Thursday, January 4, 2018 and Thursday, March 1, 2018.

Art exhibition date for civic couple

THE Mayor and Mayoress of West Lancashire, Councillor Neil and Mrs Julie Furey, will attend the Chapel Gallery in Ormskirk on Friday evening, July 21 for the official opening and prizegiving ceremony for the Lancashire Open Exhibition 2017.

Exhibits will then be on display at the gallery in St Helens Road until September 6.

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Council seeks views of businesses in battle to keep town centre 'vibrant'

WITH high streets throughout the country facing continuing challenges, West Lancashire Borough Council is seeking the views of Ormskirk businesses to find out what challenges and opportunities they are having to deal with.

Ormskirk town centre is faring better than some of its counterparts and the council believes it provides a good offer to visitors.

A range of facilities, including a large number of independent shops and restaurants, are complemented by the traditional street market which brings in many visitors every Thursday and Saturday.

In addition, new cafes, bars and restaurants that have recently opened include Love to Eat, Barnyard, Cork, and Mister Miyagi, as well as national chains, such as Starbucks and Costa showing faith in the town.

However, with the continuing difficulties facing retail centres, including changing shopping habits and competition from the Internet, the council is conducting a survey of town-centre businesses to obtain their views on these demands.

Councillor Ian Moran

The consultation also explores how a Business Improvement District (BID) in Ormskirk town centre may support aspirations of businesses and the Town Centre Management Group's work to help Ormskirk have an even brighter and more vibrant future.

The council has contacted a sample number of businesses about the survey, but any Ormskirk town centre business can take part.

Businesses who want to take part should contact the economic regeneration team on 01695 712679 or email lets.talk@westlancs.gov.uk.

The survey ends next Friday, July 28.

Councillor Ian Moran, council leader and portfolio holder for economic regeneration, said: "The council is working well with partners on the Town Centre Management Group to make Ormskirk an even better place to work, shop and do business.

"I would urge businesses to take part in this consultation as they have a key role to play in helping to shape Ormskirk's future, identifying new opportunities and advising us on the challenges that are facing businesses in Ormskirk."

The Ormskirk Town Centre Management Group is made up of a number of local organisations including Business in the Community, Ormskirk Community Partnership, Edge Hill University, Edge Hill Students' Union and West Lancashire Borough Council.

Seven fire crews called out to tackle blaze at Burscough scrapyard

A HUGE blaze tore thorough a car scrapyard in Burscough at the weekend, reportedly torching 12 cars and destroying a lean-to building and part of a warehouse.

Seven fire crews from across West Lancs, Tarleton, Wigan, Chorley and Fulwood attended the huge fire at Hills Motors Ltd. at Langley Court on the Burscough Industrial Estate shortly after 2am on Sunday, July 16.

It took firefighters three hours to extinguish the blaze.

It is believed that 12 cars, a lean-to building and part of a warehouse all caught alight.

Firefighters equipped with breathing apparatus used four hose-reel jets and two portable fan units during the incident. No-one was injured and the cause of the fire is still being investigated.

A spokesperson for Hills Motors Ltd. second-hand parts and accident repair centre declined to comment on the blaze.

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Regular trains for golf fans on last day of Open - but no other services on Merseyrail

MERSEYRAIL will be running regular trains to Hillside on the final day of the Open Golf Championship on Sunday, July 23 despite strike action by the Rail, Maritime and Transport Workers union - but no other services will be running on the network.

Thousands of golf fans are expected to be travelling to the Royal Birkdale Golf Club to see the climax of the Open tournament but other services will be hit as officials of the RMT have called another one-day stoppage in the ongoing dispute over the proposed introduction of driver-only trains.

However, Merseyrail chiefs have confirmed that it will be able to run a service specifically designed to get people to and from Royal Birkdale.

There will be a service every 15 minutes between Liverpool Central and Hillside, and between Southport and Hillside from 9am to around 12.30pm and then from around 5pm to approximately 8.30pm.

To support spectators who 'park and ride', morning services between Liverpool Central and Hillside will call every half hour at Blundellsands and Crosby and every evening service back to Liverpool Central will call at this station.

There will, however, be a significant knock-on impact for those not heading to the golf, with no services able to run at all across the rest of the Merseyrail network.

No industrial action is planned for any other rail operators that day, meaning that people can still travel into Liverpool and around other parts of the Liverpool City Region as normal, including on Northern services into Southport where they can also access the Merseyrail network to travel to The Open.

Merseyrail will be hit by strike action again on Sunday, July 23

For those who would normally use Merseyrail, the City Region's extensive bus network is recommended as a transport option for many passengers.

Merseytravel chief executive, Frank Rogers, said: "The RMT's actions have forced us to take very difficult decisions in relation to where we target extremely limited services on July 23.

"All eyes will be on Royal Birkdale in an event that's watched by 600 million people across the globe and is worth around £100m to the Liverpool City Region economy. We want golf-goers to take away the best possible impression of our area and to be able to do that, we have to have the transport to match. We are really sorry that it means other travellers will be impacted and we hope they understand the reasons."

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‘Pillar of community’ jailed for child sex crimes

Report by **Lynda Roughley**

Court told businessman molested young girls and exposed himself at office window

A ‘PILLAR of the community’ who exposed himself to three little girls looking at a puppy in his office window had also earlier sexually molested three other children.

The more serious offences only came to light after the girls, as young as four, had told how Robert Darby had exposed himself to them after they were attracted to the cute pup.

Jailing the 57-year-old businessman from Scarisbrick on Friday (July 14), udge Elizabeth Nicholls said, “All of this was conducted under the veneer of respectability. You were regarded as a pillar of the community and a man involved in the church and community projects.

“Often your actions were done in a way so there could be some form of plausible explanation for your conduct and with some of the older complainants they believed the conduct was their fault, their responsibility.

“The children felt uncomfortable and could do nothing and say nothing. Your defence throughout the trial was particularly unattractive, you sought to discredit all the witnesses. You suggested this was a witch-hunt against you pursued by an over-jealous police officer and it was even suggested the officer was dishonest.

“What the trial has demonstrated is you have absolutely no remorse for your conduct nor willingness or ability to accept the harm you have caused both to your immediate victim and those close to you

“The collective impact of your offending over a period of years demands an immediate term of imprisonment.“

Robert Darby

She said that she took into account that he has participated in voluntary and charity work, adding: “You have been thoroughly discredited and lost your good character. It will have a profound effect on you and your innocent family and I know that is a punishment in itself.”

She jailed the father-of-three for a total of 25 months and ordered him to sign the Sex Offenders Register for seven years. She also imposed a Sexual Harm Prevention Order for the same time.

Darby, of Dam Wood Lane, Scarisbrick, was convicted of nine sexual offences involving children aged between four to 13, but still maintains his innocence and claims that the older victims were lying.

The assaults took place in the 1990s and 2000s.

Gerald Baxter, prosecuting, told a jury at Liverpool Crown Court that the offences demonstrated “a pattern of behaviour”, which was “namely his sexual interest in children”.

He said that a little girl walked past a glass door at Darby’s office in Segars Lane, Ainsdale, in February 2015 and spotted a Labrador puppy.

She caught up with her friend’s mum and said she saw a man’s private parts and he had “pulled down his pants and undies”.

Two more little girls also walked past that day and saw the puppy, before also complaining that a man had exposed himself.

When arrested for exposure, Darby said: “Absolutely not, I’m just in shock” and explained he had bladder problems.

In October that year a woman told police how she visited his home as a child, when he told her to come upstairs and collect a “fart machine” toy.

She recalled finding him lying on his bed wearing only headphones, with his eyes closed and performing a lewd act. On another occasion when she stayed at his house, he put her in his bed with his sleeping wife and pressed against the girl’s buttocks.

A second woman told officers Darby had lifted her nightie up so she was just in her underwear and made her lie across his lap. A third woman told police he made her take a bath in front of him, despite her protests.

The court heard that one victim has been left with a distrust of men.

Neil Gunn, defending, said that Darby has no previous convictions and he and his family had had difficulty accepting the jury’s verdicts. He said that he had “almost reached rock bottom”.

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New campaign aims to cut child road casualties

Report by **Henry James**

A NEW campaign aims to highlight the common causes of collisions involving child pedestrians in Lancashire in a bid to cut the number of deaths and injuries on the roads.

Around 65 child pedestrians are killed or seriously injured across Lancashire, Blackburn with Darwen and Blackpool every year.

The campaign, being run by the Lancashire Road Safety Partnership, will encourage everyone on the roads to look out for each other, with a focus on providing information and advice to parents and carers so they can show children how to stay safe when out and about.

Most incidents happen when a child suddenly steps, runs or cycles into the road, and in a significant proportion of collisions, children are with an adult family member at the time. The campaign will ask adults to set a good example to children by always crossing safely themselves, and also ask drivers to play their part by anticipating that children can behave unpredictably, and give themselves time to watch out for children and stop if necessary.

Other common factors include adults losing control of younger children while crossing the road, the presence of parked cars which reduce visibility, and children becoming distracted immediately before a collision.

County Councillor Iddon

Parents and carers are being asked to check out resources on the partnership's website, safe2travel.co.uk/lookout, to help them understand what they can do to make a difference. The campaign will be supported by roadside banners and signs as well as targeted messages on social media.

The summer months are when incidents spike - during the school holidays, when children are playing out and walking in groups; and their return to school later in the summer, when those going to secondary school for the first time gain more independence and walk new routes which may be unfamiliar to them.

County Councillor Keith Iddon, Lancashire's cabinet member for highways and transport, said: "We are all responsible for each other's safety on the roads and the number of child pedestrians being killed or injured every year in Lancashire is something we should not accept.

"We teach children about road safety through schools, however we're also encouraging everyone who has responsibility for young people to do their bit and help to reinforce that message. There are also practical things that parents and carers can do, such as planning regular journeys on safe routes to school.

"There are certain times in a child's development when their risk of being involved in a collision as a pedestrian increases. One key time is when children are around aged six and become very mobile for the first time, with the potential they could run into the road while playing, or stray from parents or carers when crossing the road.

"The other is when children begin secondary school and gain a bit more independence, walking alone or in groups over longer distances, but may be prone to distraction.

"We're also asking drivers to take more care when travelling through areas where children may be out playing and to be aware that many incidents happen when children travel between home and school."

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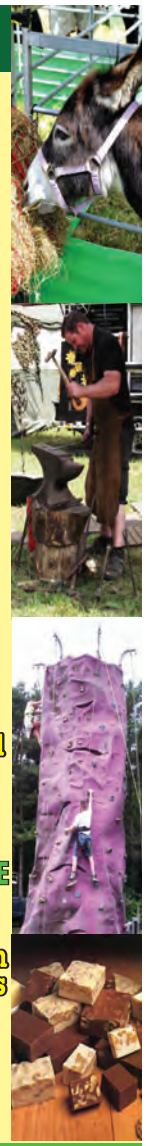

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Family make more donations in memory of brave Hannah

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

DONATIONS have been made to a charity which helps the families of children who have passed away to afford funerals, in memory of an inspirational young cancer blogger from Burscough.

The family of Hannah Lyson, who campaigned to raise awareness of bowel and liver cancer before sadly losing her own battle with the disease in January aged just 20, have started a fundraising drive to keep her legacy alive.

Her mum Beth, 56, two of her five sisters, Louise, 36 and Heather, 28, and her auntie Jayne, 48, took part in Cancer Research UK's Pretty Muddy event earlier this month in Liverpool and raised more than £2,000 for the charity.

Donations boxes emblazoned with photographs of Hannah were placed at the entrance of HMP Preston where her dad Mark works, weeks ago to raise funds for the Zak Vali Foundation.

Hannah Lyson

This is a charity set up in memory of 15-year-old Zak to raise funds to help pay for funeral costs when a child dies after undergoing cancer treatment.

The charity is close to the Lyson family's hearts as donations at Hannah's funeral were split with £1,525 donated to the Zak Vali foundation and £1,060 to the Teenage Cancer Trust.

The collection boxes have raised a further £594 in her memory for the foundation.

A spokesperson for the Zak Vali Foundation said: "Earlier in the year we lost another angel to cancer, Hannah Lyson.

"Her father Mark Lyson didn't require our help but seeing the work our charity does he asked that attendees of his daughter's funeral to make a donation to the Zak Vali Foundation rather than buy flowers.

"This was a selfless and humbling gesture that touched our hearts.

"Mark and the staff at his place of work have since gone on to raise more funds for the foundation by placing collection pots at the entrance in memory of his daughter with all donations going to our charity.

"We are continuously overwhelmed by Mark and his colleagues' generosity and we are incredibly grateful and would like to give thanks once again for the continued support of the Lyson family."

St Bede's executive headteacher Chris Horrocks and former pupils, Jon Culshaw and Cllr. Noel Delaney at the anniversary celebrations

'Old boys' toast school milestone

FORMER pupils, impressionist Jon Culshaw and Deputy Mayor of West Lancs, Councillor Noel Delaney, were among he guests at celebrations to mark the 60th anniversary of St Bede's Catholic High School.

'The pair joined headteacher, Chris Horrocks, members of the PTA, fellow former pupils and parents to toast the milestone at the school in St Anne's Road, Ormksirk.

A series of events were also organised including burying a time capsule in the grounds and a 'blind' wine-tasting to raise funds to improve the school hall.

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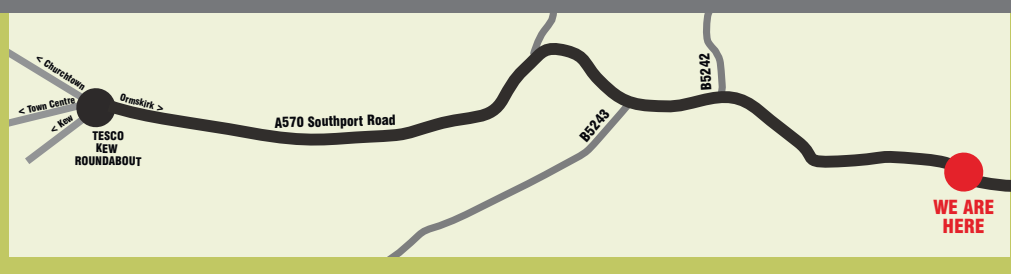

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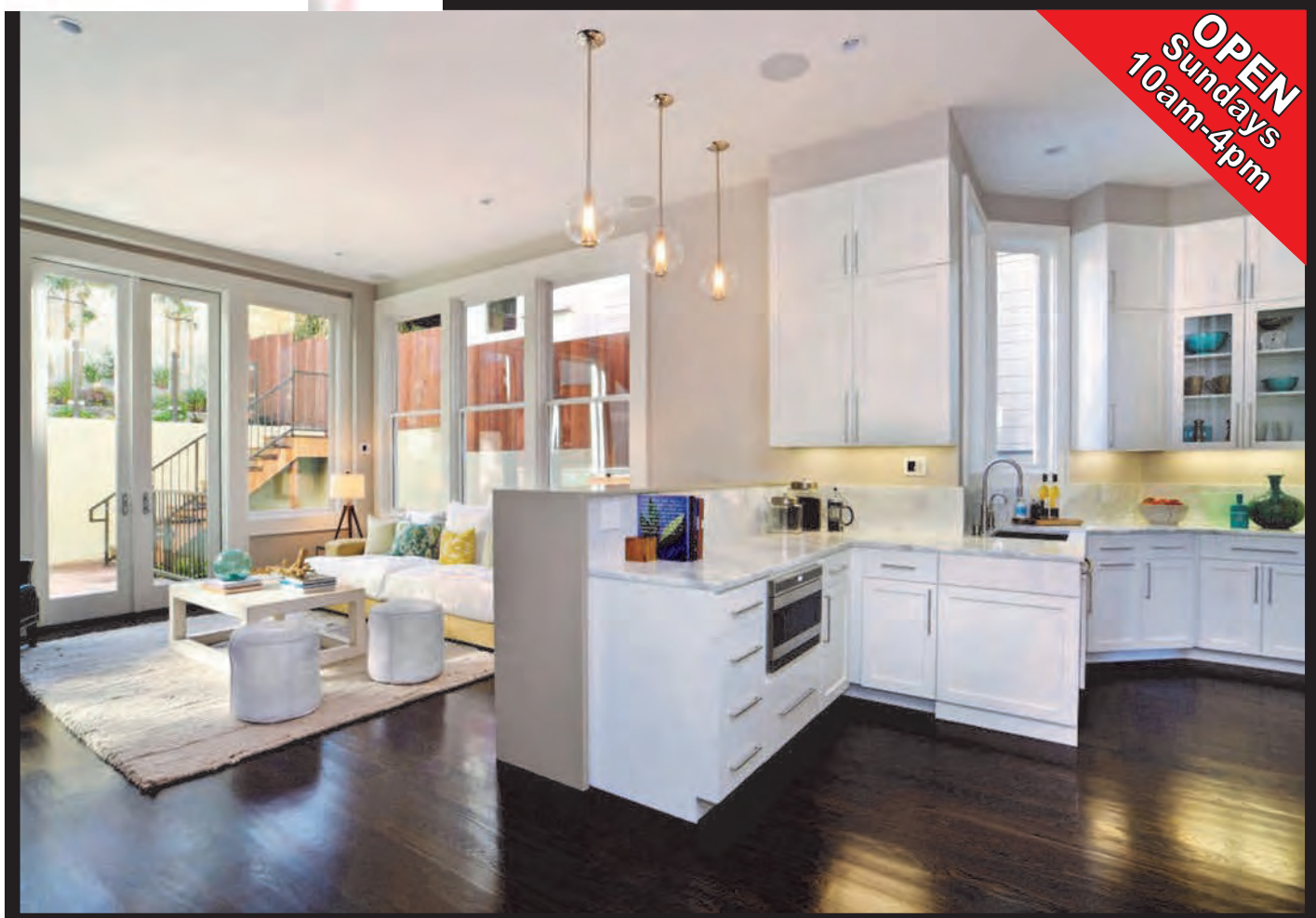

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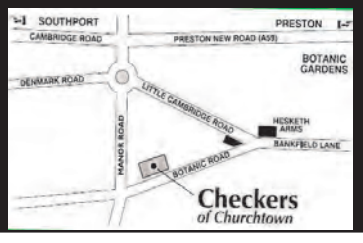

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Police campaign offers a chance to bin those knives

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

A WEEK-long police initiative is being held to tackle knife crime in Lancashire.

Lancashire Constabulary is supporting a week of action, Operation Sceptre, aimed at reducing knife crime, which runs until Sunday (July 23).

Knife bins are being used at nine police stations, including Skelmersdale, where people can hand in weapons which need to be safely wrapped in tape and newspaper before being put in the bin to be disposed of anonymously and safely.

Officers will also continue to carry out test purchase operations to ensure that retailers are not selling knives to people under the age of 18.

Chief Inspector Mark Baines said: "Too many families have been affected by knife crime with even one person being stabbed being one too many.

"The consequences of carrying and using a knife can be devastating and potentially life-threatening.

"I would appeal directly to people that if you know someone who is carrying a knife, don't keep silent. Report it.

"The law is simple - it is illegal to carry a knife, even if it belongs to someone else.

"Anyone who is found carrying a knife and is intending to use it as a weapon – even in self-defence - can be arrested, go to court and receive a police record or even a prison sentence of up to four years and an unlimited fine.

"Lancashire Constabulary has a zero tolerance policy toward possession of knives in public and we take reports of knife crime very seriously.

"We will act on all intelligence received in a bid to prevent people losing loved ones and to detain those who intend to commit acts of violence using knives.

"If you have information about the possession of knives or offensive weapons or criminal activity relating to this type of crime, make a report online via the Lancashire Constabulary website.

"You can also anonymously report information to the independent charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111."

Knives handed in during last year's knife surrender in West Lancs

£1m revamp plan for pub

A WEST Lancashire pub is set for a £1million makeover.

Pub companies Thwaites and Fayre Inns have partnered up to develop the interior and exterior of the Cock and Bottle in Church Road, Tarleton.

The venue will close its doors on Monday, July 24 and reopen in October.

Plans for the revamp including turning the function suite into an open-plan family dining space, while the lobby will become a glazed seating area.

Other planned features are an open beam ceiling, log-burning stove and booth-style seating, plus a bakery-patisserie-coffee station, a front beer garden and a breakfast menu.

Steven Greenhalf from Fayre Inns said: "The pub has been open for many years and it's going to be fantastic to see such an investment in the building. We want the pub to be at the heart of the community and with this development we think people are going to really enjoy visiting it."

Andrew Buchanan from Thwaites added: "It's going to be great working with Fayre Inns on this investment project. We already have a number of very successful pubs that we have developed with them. The refurbishment will breathe new life into the pub – it's going to look fantastic and I can't wait to see the transformation."

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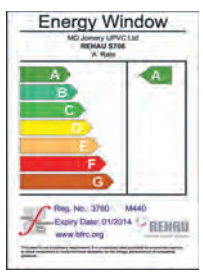

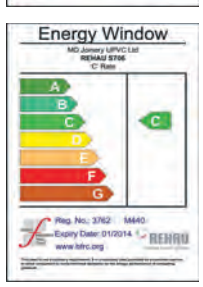

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More potential organ donors still needed to join NHS register

Latest figures show more than 1,000 people are alive today in Lancashire as a result of transplants

Report by **Henry James**

FIGURES released by NHS Blood and Transplant show that the number of people in Lancashire currently known to be alive thanks to organ transplants has reached 1,115.

Now officials of the health body are urging more people in the county to help even more people to survive by joining the NHS Organ Donor Register.

The annual Transplant Activity Report shows that UK-wide the number of people alive thanks to transplants has reached the milestone figure of 50,000.

This is a result of improving survival rates and increased public commitment to donation.

In Lancashire, the number of people on the Organ Donor Register is now 521,225, compared to 405,988 five years ago, an increase of 28%.

Anyone can sign up as a donor on the NHS Organ Donor Register and age or any existing medical conditions shouldn't stop you from signing up. People could save or transform up to nine people's lives by donating their organs when they die and help even more by donating tissue.

More people are needed to join the NHS Organ Donor Register

Shortage

Increased public support for donation also means more people in Lancashire are receiving lifesaving and life-enhancing transplants. Last year 126 people in the county had transplants, compared to 80 five years ago.

However, there is still a shortage of organ donors with around 6,400 people currently waiting for a transplant. And there is a particular need for people from black and Asian backgrounds to register.

Sally Johnson, director of organ donation and transplantation for NHS Blood and Transplant, said: "Around three people still die a day in need of a transplant. Every one of those people who died could be a mother or a father, a daughter or a son, who might be alive today.

"We don't want anyone in Lancashire to miss the opportunity to save lives through organ donation. Please join the NHS Organ Donor Register. It only takes two minutes."

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Shortlist for village 'Best Kept' contest revealed

THE shortlist for this year's Hesketh Bank 'Best Kept' competition has been announced.

A panel of judges have been enlisted by the parish council and tasked with naming the village's best front garden, business premises and allotment in the annual competition.

Shortlisted for front gardens are: 11 Poppyfields; 25 Moss Lane; 47 Shore Road; 34 Becconsall Lane; 42 Becconsall Lane; 24 Silverdale; 1 Sidney Avenue and 14 Ashbrook Close. Last year's winner, 7 Meadow Lane, is not featured this year.

Finalists for the allotments are: Numbers 15 (last year's winner, for the second year in a row); 18; 20 and 28.

And finalists for business premises are: South View Nursing Home; R & J Wright Haulage (last year's winner); and Leighton Watkinson Oils.

All those shortlisted will receive free tickets to the Hesketh Bank Show on September, 19. The winners will be announced next week and will receive free tickets to Southport Flower Show

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Pupils, parish councillors and members of Rufford Village Society pictured with one of the station flower containers.

Pupils help to brighten up Rufford station

TRAVELLERS using Rufford railway station will be greeted by brighter platforms - thanks to the efforts of a local community group and primary school pupils.

A grant by train operators Arriva Rail North's Station Adoption Fund enabled Rufford Vilage Society to purchase flowers and containers for the station.

And society chair, Sandra Gregory, was joined by members of Rufford CE Primary School's gardening club and parish councillors to plant the new containers.

MP raises issues of Skem town centre and transport links, plus Burscough Curves in Parliamentary debate

ROSIE Cooper has raised in Parliament the problems Skelmersdale faces as a 'new town' especially in areas such as transport links, educational establishments, housing and infrastructure.

During the Westminster debate, the West Lancs MP also took the opportunity to touch on the campaign to get the Burscough Curves reinstated.

Ms Cooper claimed decisions by borough and county councils, private commercial companies, and national governments had failed to capitalise on Skelmersdale's potential.

She said: "We have a shopping centre that pretends to be the town centre, but it is just a building. When the local council attempted to build a genuine town centre and a modern high street, the owners of the Concourse took out High Court injunctions and made appeals to block it.

"Although Skelmersdale became a designated New Town in 1961 and a bright new future was projected, its tracks were pulled up and its train line was shut two years later. It is a town failed by a lack of foresight and that is desperately fighting to get a railway station.

"The Secretary of State for Transport visited during the General Election campaign and told my constituents that bringing back the Burscough Curves would be a quick win. I am still waiting for that announcement."

Speaking after the debate, Ms Cooper did acknowledge the good news that Skelmersdale has received over the last 18 months.

She said: "We have had positive updates on the town centre, movement on the railway, some progress on bus routes, and a multi-million pound business investment.

"I'm realistic about progress but what we need is action beginning now with work on a new town centre, not words describing another vision."

Fundraisers pin their hopes on doubling funds for families of terror attack victims

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

THE owners of a business in Tarleton who have already raised £500-plus for the families of two young girls who died in the Manchester Arena terror attack, are 'pinning' their hopes on more than doubling that amount with their latest fundraiser.

Claire Newland and Dave Wilkinson, directors of Newland and Wilkinson Independent Funeral Directors, raised the initial total by selling commemorative wristbands for people to wear in memory of Georgina Callander and Saffie Rose Russo.

Ariana Grande superfan Georgina, 18, and eight-year-old Saffie Rose, a pupil at Tarleton Community Primary School, were two of the 22 victims killed in the attack by suicide bomber, Salman Abedi.

'Phenomenal'

The silicone bands, in both adult and child sizes in pink and yellow, were offered at a suggested donation price of £1 each and sold out within 24 hours.

Now Claire and Dave are selling pin badges, each depicting both a yellow and a pink balloon, which are also available for a suggested donation of £1.

Already more than 900 of the badges have been snapped up and with less than 100 left, the pair are confident of another 'sell-out'.

The pin badges which Claire and Dave are selling for a suggested donation of £1 in aid of the families of Georgina Callander and Saffie Rose Russo

The proceeds of the two appeals will be totalled up and divided between the two girls' families next month.

Claire Newland told the Champion: "We have been overwhelmed by the response to both appeals.

"We had lots of people coming in to buy the wristbands and even when we told them we had run out they were still putting donations in the box!

"Now the pin badge appeal has been equally phenomenal – we have sold more than 900 already in only a few weeks and are now down to less than 100 left.

"We're hoping donations for the pin badges alone will help us to reach another £1,000 to add to the funds raised by the bands.

"We have been absolutely astounded by the generosity of the community."

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Rosie Cooper gets into the team spirit during her visit to Ormskirk Rugby Club

MP pays tribute to rugby club's dedicated volunteers

ROSIE Cooper enjoyed a taste of team spirit when she paid a visit to Ormskirk Rugby Club as part of a community initiative.

Club chairman, Brian Stevenson, invited the West Lancs MP to the club in Green Lane as part of the NatWest RugbyForce Weekend, a partnership between NatWest and England Rugby which aims to help clubs across country attract new members and become stronger and more sustainable businesses.

The club has made many improvements to its changing areas and social facilities in the last few years and during the weekend, volunteers worked on painting the goal posts, weeding the car park area, painting the internal walls, building a functional new scrum machine and laying down a new patio area at the rear of the club.

The patio is already proving popular with members who can sit out and have a drink. It is also ideal for barbecues.

Ms Cooper said: "I'd like to thank Brian for inviting me down and showing me around the club and introducing me to so many hard-working community volunteers. They are the lifeblood of these organisations and do it free of charge in their own time.

"Ormskirk Rugby Club has been part of this town for nearly 100 years and I look forward to supporting it in any way I can in the future, as they look to continue their recent growth and success."

Brian Stevenson added: "We've done well with these volunteer events in recent years and securing a grant from NatWest RugbyForce in conjunction with the RFU was really useful in allowing us to purchase the materials to carry out some of the improvements.

"I'm very grateful to our MP, Rosie Cooper, for taking the time to visit us, and giving us her backing to our ambitious plans to improve the club and area and be an asset to the local community."

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Eight-mile canal loop to launch walking festival

WHETHER you're a dedicated trekker or a Sunday afternoon stroller, the West Lancashire Walking Festival has something to suit all tastes.

This year's festival, organised by the borough council's Parks and Countryside Ranger Service in conjunction with walk leaders from different organisations, gets underway on Saturday, July 29.

It features a series of wonderful walks around the borough's beautiful countryside with routes covering as much of West Lancs as possible.

All the walks are free and there is something to cater for all abilities, from short, themed walks with a chance to learn more about the local countryside, to long-distance rambles.

The festival calendar begins with the eight-mile Beacon Canal Loop walk on July 29, starting from Beacon Country Park Visitor Centre at 10am.

Next up is a seven-mile Tarleton Circular walk on Sunday, July 30, starting from Tarleton Library in Mark Square at 10am.

Then on Wednesday, August 2, there is a short walk of between one and two miles around Mere Sands Wood with a talk on the reserve, its history and local wildlife. This starts from the reserve visitor centre at 2pm. People taking part in this walk should note there is a £2 parking charge to park at the reserve car park.

Suitable

Other walks take in countryside across Burscough, Dalton, Halsall, Lathom and other parts of the borough.

The final event is the six-mile Clieves Hill Loop on Monday, August 28, starting from the Coronation Park bowling pavilion at 10am.

Walks are open to all but anyone under the age of 14 should be accompanied by an adult aged 18 or older.

There is no need to book for any of the walks, but walkers are asked to turn up to the meeting point 10 minutes before the walk you are joining is due to start so it can set off on time.

Please ensure that you wear suitable clothing and footwear to walk through uneven/countryside terrain.

Longer walks – seven miles-plus – will have a scheduled lunch stop and you will require a packed lunch. It's good practice to carry a drink with you on all walks.

Dogs are not allowed on the Martin Mere walk, but are welcome on the other walks.

In the case of inclement weather please check with the rangers if individual walks are going ahead.

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Champion LETTERS to the Editor

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Nobody has the will to put the finishing touches to our 'new town'

I AM in complete agreement with the letter by D.S. (Champion, July 12) and his comments on Skelmersdale 'new town' not being finished.

He mentioned the plans for a hospital, but on that score we were informed it would only be built if the town's population reached 80,000.

With the building of housing having ceased with around 40,000 people domiciled in them, the population was never going to reach anywhere near the proposed target number.

So, as regards the hospital, it's dead in the water.

Then there is the town centre for this 'new town' - but all we were given was a shopping centre, two high-rise buildings, a swimming baths, police station, library and ecumenical centre.

What we have been left with cannot be called a town centre.

Where are the register office or law courts, to name but two that are noticeable by their absence.

There is also a bus station at the Concourse shopping centre, but this is a private company's bus station to bring shoppers into their centre and not Skelmersdale's.

Now, we come to the highways throughout the town.

Why did the planners have dual carriageway roads built in 'new town' areas and yet single carriageways in 'old town' areas?

And as for the five places designated to have flyovers, we are still left without a single one.

The town centre has two roads entering into it, Northway and Southway. Talk about a one-horse town!

The only thing I would congratulate the planners on is the planting of trees and bushes around the town.

When the town is viewed from up on Ashurst Beacon it looks like a large wood with some buildings dotted around within it.

They are also to be congratulated on doing away with the need for traffic lights by putting in roundabouts across the town.

Therefore, I am as one with D.S. in believing the 'new town' is unfinished business, but I can't see it ever being completed. Nobody has the will to do so.

Bill Clarke,
by email

Skelmersdale mail deliveries were affected by unusually high levels of sickness absence

I WANT to clarify a few points in your recent article about Royal Mail services in Skelmersdale and to reassure our customers.

Firstly, I would like to apologise to any customers in Skelmersdale who have experienced later deliveries than normal recently. Unfortunately, we have had some unusually high levels of sick absence.

We have put contingency plans in place quickly and drafted in extra staff from neighbouring areas, as well as offering overtime when it is needed. Deliveries are now being made as normal.

Royal Mail is proud to provide the Universal Service Obligation in Skelmersdale and of the role we play in connecting customers, businesses, organisations and communities, including those in remote and rural areas.

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Since privatisation, we have invested over £2.1billion in our operation. The huge technology rebuild over the last five years has been a key enabler for the modernisation of our business to improve services to our customers.

I hope this clarifies and reassures customers.

Geoff Braden, operati ons director

PICTURE of the week

It was celebration time for Sophie when her squirrel-themed cupcake won her first place at the Formby Festival. Picture by Martyn Snape.

Keep us posted!

THIS month marks four years since consumer choice campaign, Keep Me Posted launched.

Keep Me Posted was started to challenge companies who push their customers to receive electronic communication, without their consent, sometimes without their knowledge. Our research has proven that it is easier to assess your financial health when you receive paper statements (75%) compared to (48%) electronic statements.

Thanks to the valuable information and feedback we have received, we have been able to persuade parliamentarians, large corporations, service providers and banks that everyone should have the right to receive their financial information in the format that is easiest for them – be it text, paper, email or a combination of all three.

However, the battle is not over - we must continue to fight to ensure that our rights are honoured by companies. We ask your readers to do the same. Let us know your experiences by writing to us at: Freepost Keep Me Posted.

Judith Donovan CBE,
chair of the Keep Me Posted campaign

Help put an end to illegal puppy trade

DOGS Trust is calling on the public to help put an end to illegal puppy smuggling after an undercover investigation revealed shocking and continued abuse of the Pet Travel Scheme.

Puppies as young as four weeks old are still being subjected to horrifying journeys across Central and Eastern Europe and smuggled into Great Britain to be sold to unsuspecting members of the public, many sick and without the right vaccinations.

After working tirelessly to bring the issue of puppy smuggling up the government's agenda, there remains a reluctance to acknowledge the scale of the problem or to implement any effective change.

Urgent action is needed to help transform the lives of these poor puppies. Dogs Trust is asking people to show their support by writing to their own MP to ask them to support our campaign by writing to the Minister for Animal Welfare.

They can visit www.puppysmuggling.org.uk to find out how to help.

Paula Boyden, veterinary director, Dogs Trust

Drop us a line...

IF you've got a view on a topic of local or national interest which you would like to share with the readers of the Champion, why not drop us a line?

Letters to the editor should be concise, preferably no more than 350 words, and should include the sender's name, address and contact details, although not necessarily for publication.

The editor reserves the right to edit all items submitted for favour of publication.

Correspondents preferring not to have their name and/or their address published may provide a suitable nom de plume.

Letters can be posted or emailed to the respective addresses listed at the top of this page.

■ **PLEASE note: All views and opinions expressed in letters to the editor are solely those of the authors.**

It's time for residents to speak up about town-centre eyesores

ARE we really in such a bad state that we have to sit and accept this *(right)* in the centre of our town? Are we so much disenchanted that we are prepared to accept sites such as this?

Nobody anywhere should have to put up with buildings in such a state dominating the centre of the town.

We, as residents, have a voice and I urge you all to make representation to your local council and West Lancs MP Rosie Cooper to highlight this.

Yes, there will be excuses and comments like 'it's in hand' etc., but this has been the case for years now and nothing is being done.

We need to be a voice as one. Enough is enough, it's time to speak up.

Stephen Britton,
by email

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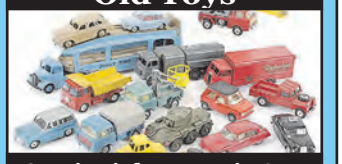

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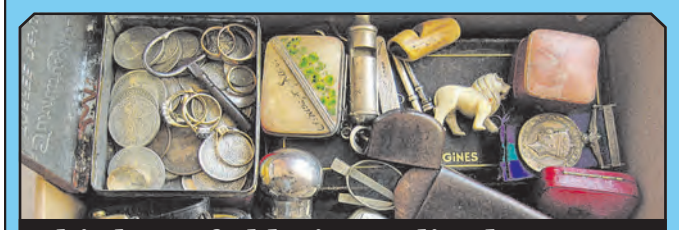

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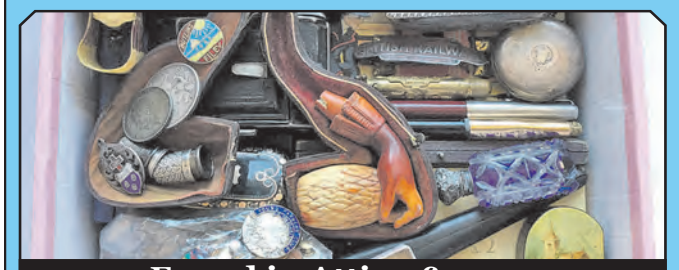

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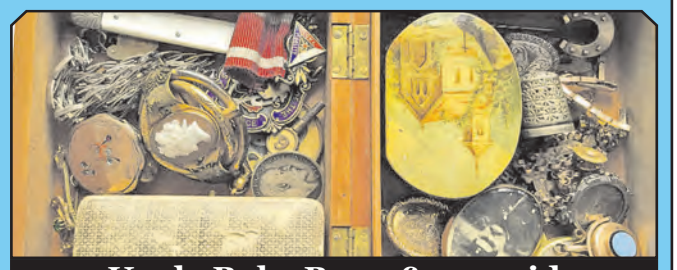

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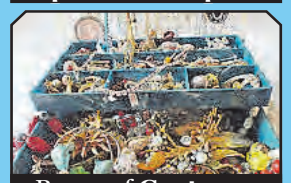

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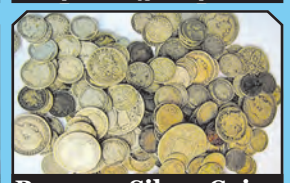

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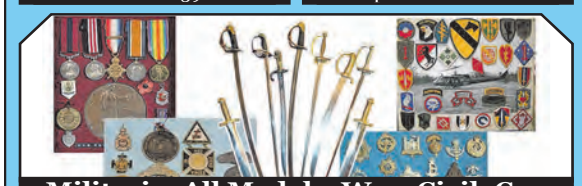

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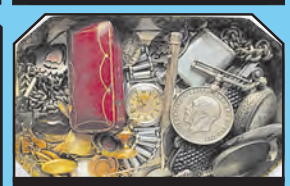

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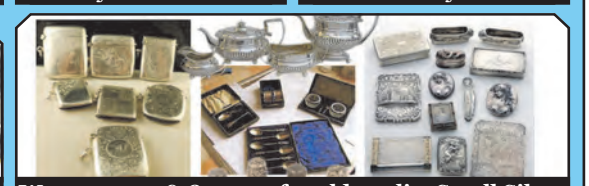

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Survey reveals most commonly reported telephone scams

by **Danielle Thompson**

Residents urged to be on their guard against fraudsters' 'favoured' five

West Lancs residents are urged to be on their guard against telephone scams

A SURVEY has revealed the five most commonly reported telephone scams which residents in Lancashire have fallen victim to.

The YouGov survey, commissioned by call-blocking company CPR, found that nuisance calls are still a major problem, with 90% of respondents in the county receiving between five and 30 calls per week.

Almost a fifth of adults in Lancashire contacted revealed that they had been a victim of a telephone scam.

The five scams most favoured by fraudsters bidding to relieve victims in the county of their money were as follows:

- The 'computer virus scam' in which a caller claiming to be from Microsoft says a virus has been detected on your computer and asks for your passwords to fix it.
- The 'bank account scam' where the caller claims to be from your bank saying there is a problem with your account or tax bill and requests security details, including your PIN.
- A 'pensions and investments scam' when recipients are offered 'unmissable' investment opportunities or pension-liberation or bonus schemes.
- The 'missed calls scam' when you receive a message asking you to call back a number which is a premium rate line.
- The 'lottery/prize scam' where the caller says you have won a major prize but have to pay a processing fee or call a premium rate line to claim it.

Bryony Hipkin from CPR Call Blocker, said: "Scam and nuisance phone calls continue to be a major problem for consumers in Lancashire and it's often the most vulnerable people in society who are targeted.

"If you're contacted out of the blue, be suspicious and never respond to an unsolicited call. Don't assume a caller is genuine because they have information such as your account details.

"Never give out personal information when answering a call and if you're not convinced the call is genuine, hang up and call back using the official phone number of the alleged organisation calling you from their website or any paperwork you have such as statements."

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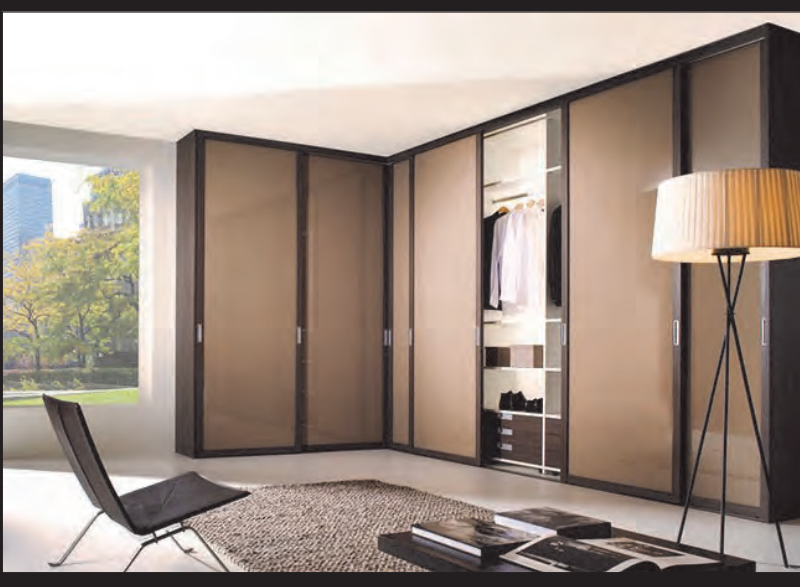

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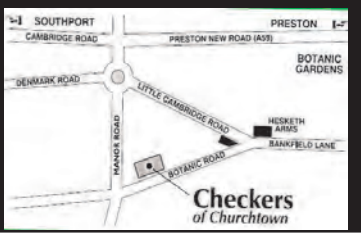

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The mayor officially opens the revamped Whittaker's room at Burscough's Stanley Club

Civic opening for revamped social club lounge named after popular steward

THE newly-refurbished lounge of a long-established social club has been renamed in tribute to a popular former steward.

Mayor and Mayoress of West Lancashire, Councillor Neil and Mrs Julie Furey, performed the official opening of the new Whittaker's room at The Stanley Club in Burscough.

It has been named after John Whittaker, a former steward of the club in Liverpool Road North who passed away recently.

Performers wanted for care home's charity talent show

STAFF at a West Lancs care home are appealing for performers to come forward for a talent show aimed at raising money for those affected by the Grenfell Tower blaze in London.

The *Hillcroft's Got Talent* event, organised by the Hillcroft Care Home in Long Lane, Aughton, is scheduled to be staged at The Civic in Southport Road, Ormskirk on Saturday, August 12.

And staff at the home are keen for more potential competitors to put their names forward as soon as possible.

Megan Campbell, activities and events co-ordinator at Hillcroft, said: "All of the proceeds from the event will be going to The London Fire Relief Fund set up by the British Red Cross Society to help those who were affected by the devastating fire at Grenfell Tower.

"All the residents and staff at Hillcroft have been deeply saddened by the recent events and want to help those people made homeless as a result of the fire.

"We are asking for people of all ages who can sing, dance, juggle or who has any other special talent and who would like to audition, to send a video of their act to us as soon as possible.

"All those chosen to go through to the final show will be contacted by email and there will be a cash prize for the overall winner.

"It's free to audition but we do ask if participants can donate anything to our just giving page for the London Fire Relief Fund."

Tickets, for the show, priced £5, can be bought from the care home.

To apply for the show, email hillcroft_helpers@outlook.com.

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New doors installed at church in memory of well-loved parishioner

A SPECIAL commemorative service has been held to mark the installation of new church doors at Holy Trinity Church Bickerstaffe, in memory of a well-loved churchgoer.

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

The new wooden doors with glass windows were funded by a legacy in memory of Rhoda Critchley, along with a grant from the Big Lottery Fund, which also paid for additional heater units inside the church.

At the service a new lectern bible was also donated and blessed in memory of another well-loved churchgoer, Dennis Morris.

Deputy church warden, Edward McCarthy, said: "The doors are funded from a legacy in memory of Mrs Rhoda Critchley who was a well-loved church goer.

"The church was awarded funding from the Big Lottery Fund last autumn which has also contributed to the doors project and some additional heater units for inside the church.

"We would like to thank the Critchley family for this generous contribution, the doors really make a difference and will be there for many, many years to come.

Pictured at the service are (from left) Reverend Andrew Housley, Judith Temple, Tom Critchley, Susan Kennedy and deputy church warden, Edward McCarthy

"The new doors replace the original ones and have glass windows, making the church brighter and more welcoming. We can now see people coming into church and anyone who needs support can be seen as they approach.

"This is the first stage of internal improvements, as some pews will also be modified in due course.

"Anyone who would like to see our lovely new doors is welcome to come along to one of our Sunday morning services."

Basketball club net £750 donation

PLAYERS and officials of a local sporting club are jumping for joy after netting a generous donation from a housebuilding company.

Ormskirk and West Lancs Basketball Club received £750 as part of the Persimmon Homes' Healthy Communities scheme.

The club, which is based at Edge Hill Unviersity sports centre, offers primary and secondary school children the opportunity to learn the game and provides sessions for boys and girls from ages six through to 16.

Chairman, Michael Lea, said: "We are extremely grateful to receive such a generous donation from Persimmon Homes. The club is largely run by volunteers who have a passion for the sport and seeing young people progress. We are committed to develop not just athletes, but young people, offering the opportunity to partake in coaching courses as well as work at the club."

The Persimmon scheme will donate more than £600,000 to sporting causes across the UK over the next 10 months, with an overall top national prize of £200,000.

Every month this year the Lancashire branch of the company will hand out £750 to a sports club or individual aged 21 years and under to be spent on kit, equipment, coaching or facilities.

Chris Kershaw, of Persimmon Homes Lancashire, added: "We are delighted to be supporting Ormskirk and West Lancs Basketball Club. This is a thriving sports club with a strong focus on young people in the community."

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Summer concert date at church

A SUMMER concert hosted by Eunice Woof MBE will be staged at Christ Church, Aughton on Saturday, July 22.

Starting at 7pm, the evening will feature performances by professional tenor Phil Clieve from Aughton, singers, Andrew Lamb from Southport and Isabella Cage from London, and members of the Aughton Male Voice Choir.

Entry costs £5 and tickets can be bought at the door on the night.

You can still sign up for garden waste collection service

RESIDENTS in West Lancashire are being reminded that they can still sign up to the council's new chargeable collection service for garden waste.

The service came into operation on June 5 and residents who signed up and paid have either received or will soon receive an information pack with a sticker for each green bin they subscribe for.

Householders who have received their sticker must remember to put it onto the back of the green bin, in accordance with the instructions provided, ensuring it is clearly visible to the collectors.

Those who have subscribed for more than one garden waste bin should ensure they put stickers on all the bins they have paid for.

The council has said that green bins without stickers will not be emptied and labelled with an information notice.

Residents who have not subscribed to the chargeable collection service should not present their garden waste bin for collection.

But it's not too late to sign up and residents can do so online with a credit or debit card at www.westlancs.gov.uk/garden-waste.

Further information about the service and costs can also be found at the council site or in the leaflet already delivered to all householders.

If residents are having difficulty paying the garden waste charge by credit or debit card they may wish to ask a family member to assist them. Alternatively residents can talk to the council's customer services department for advice and assistance on how to make a payment.

Councillor Kevin Wilkie, West Lancs Council's cabinet member for street scene services, said: "The overall response to the launch of this valuable service has been really positive with a large number of people already signed up. Residents can still sign up, and the quickest way to do this is online, where you can also find details of charges."

Residents who do not want to use the collection service can still do their bit to protect the environment by taking garden waste to a household waste recycling centre, or alternatively compost it.

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When it comes to sports I support who I like wherever they come from!

I WAS sitting last Thursday burning the midnight oil (well almost) waiting to see the Wimbledon highlights on the Beeb because, unhappily, my strange TV/recording set-up meant I missed the second half of the live match!

For one who is disinterested in most sport (snooker, darts and Formula 1 excepted) this may seem strange, but for many years I have had a certain fascination with the Wimbledon Ladies' Singles.

This year though I had something of a problem because one of my all-time favourites, Venus Williams, was playing Jo Konta in the semi-final.

I haven't really had a British hope since Virginia Wade, now many years ago, but seeing Jo play in earlier rounds I really took to the girl and hoped she would win through to the final, and even perhaps win the title.

By now, of course we will know if Venus has done so - I really hope she has. In all honesty, she outplayed Konta - but there was no shame in that because my new favourite never gave up, or retreated into recriminations, arguments, shouting or tears.

Just wait and see - she'll be back and we will have a Wimbledon winner.

At least I don't have to see Andy Murray any more this year. I don't enjoy men's tennis anyway and, no matter what he says now, in his earlier days 'our' Andy has expressed his feelings about English people and frankly I don't think he represents Britain at all.

Still, I do have very strange ideas about who I like and don't like in the sports I do watch. In Formula 1, for instance, though I think Lewis Hamilton is a likeable lad - and very possibly the best driver on the scene at the moment - I don't usually want him to win.

That's because in motor racing I support Ferrari and don't care whether they are driven by Stirling Moss or Fred Flintstone.

Ferrari are unusual in making all of their cars, including the engine, and until the rule changes made variety impossible in the sport, used V12 rather than V8 engines. Lovely. So, only if both Ferraris have for some reason dropped out of the race, do I support Lewis (and even then worry about points in the Constructors' Championship).

As for darts, it's not the fun it used to be when competitors drank pints between throws, just like in the 'real home' of the game - the pub. I simply tend to support the nice guy or gal, whoever he or she may be.

And much the same in snooker, I suppose, although there I'm afraid I am beginning to show my age by nearly always supporting the old stager rather than the new kids on the block who seem to get younger and younger.

I also like the increasing number of Oriental players. They usually seem so serious but always with a spark of amusement only slightly below the surface.

I had a very good friend, now unfortunately passed away, who seemed rather proud of his many 'personas', as he called them. It was a most irritating trait, particularly when it came to sport, or indeed classical music.

He crewed on my boat several times, and often said he didn't like football and would tune the radio in to Classic FM by choice.

Walk into his local though, as I did once, and there was a different bloke altogether. There he was shouting and hollering at the footy match on the telly with the best (or worst?) of them, and apparently immune to the racket that passed for popular music at the time.

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Lottery fund's helping hand for school project

A SCHOOL project to create a new sensory area aimed at enabling pupils and other local children to engage in 'tactile and imaginative play' has been given a boost, courtesy of the National Lottery.

Rufford CE Primary School in Liverpool Road was awarded £9,946 in the latest round of grants by the Big Lottery's Awards for All fund which supports projects that improve the local community.

Concert in aid of church maintenance

THE Friends of Becconsall Old Church are hosting a summer concert featuring folk music group, The Throstle Pickers, on Saturday, August 5, to raise funds for ongoing maintenance.

The event gets underway at 7.30pm at the church in Becconsall Lane, Hesketh Bank and tickets, priced £5 including refreshments and wine, will be available on the door.

Double celebration for nursery

NURSERY staff are celebrating after being rated 'outstanding' by government inspectors.

The team at Portico Kindergarten based at Aughton Town Green Primary School were awarded the accolade following their latest Ofsted inspection.

Last year pupils, parents and staff at the kindergarten raised £1,800 for a Community Publicly Accessible Defibrillator at their base in Town Green Lane.

Deputy Mayoress of West Lancs, Ann Stubbert went along to the nursery to officially 'open' the defibrillator and to help celebrate the Ofsted rating at a garden party attended by parents and local residents.

The occasion also marked the annual leaving ceremony for children moving up to school next year.

Kindergarten manager, Jane Waterson, said: "Every year we hold a Pre School Ceremony celebration when parents and families come along to hear their child's key worker speak about their youngster's time at Portico Kindergarten.

"This year it was a double celebration as Portico Kindergarten received an 'outstanding' grading from Ofsted in our most recent inspection, something we are really proud of."

Deputy mayoress, Ann Stubbert cuts the ribbon to start the celebrations at Portico Kindergarten

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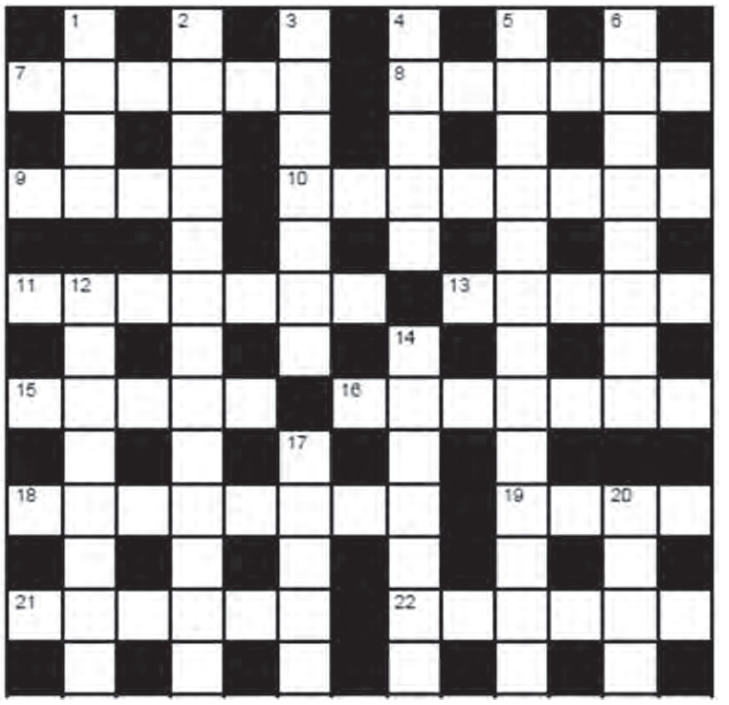

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4. To frighten or unnerve (5)
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This will be added to £210 they have already raised towards a heavy-duty picnic bench for the playing field at the school in Church Road.

Headteacher, Stephen Smith, said: "Our pupils love fundraising for charities or equipment for the school. The idea for the Bad Hair Day came about when the Year 3 class wrote some persuasive letters to me asking if we could hold the event to raise money for school.

"The school council then made posters and organised the day and each of the children - and teachers! - came into school wearing their usual uniform but with 'bad hair' using gel, spray or additions!"

Some of the pupils and staff at Tarleton Holy Trinity CE Primary School enjoying their 'bad hair day' fundraiser

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Woodlands Animal Sanctuary in Sandy Lane, Holmeswood, which cares for a variety of small domestic and farm animals, recently found a home for Jiggly, a playful, year-old cat with a heart murmur who was handed in to the shelter earlier this year.

Now they are looking for a permanent home for another feline with a murmur, two-year-old Oliver.

Due to his heart condition he will need someone who can give him his small tablet each day.

They want Oliver *(pictured, right)* to be cared for on a foster basis for the rest of his life, as long as that may be, but all medication costs will be paid for by Woodlands.

Sally McDerby from the sanctuary said: "Unfortunately, there is no way to know how long Oliver has left. Even if he only has a few months left we really would like him to have whatever that amount of time is in a loving home. Here at the shelter we have so many animals to care for and while we all give them as much TLC as we can, it's not the same as being loved in your own home."

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Wildlife project aims to improve young people's health

YOUNG people in Lancashire can get involved in an exciting project that will boost their mental health and physical wellbeing whilst improving green spaces in the local community.

Myplace is an exciting and innovative collaboration between Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust and The Lancashire Wildlife Trust financed by Big Lottery Funding of almost £1m administered by the national 'Our Bright Future' campaign for young people.

The project encourages young people aged 13 to 24 to explore the environment by offering opportunities to participate in eco-therapy-based activities where they can develop new skills, increase their self-esteem, build resilience and improve their own self-confidence.

Sue Moore, chief operating officer at Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust, said: "There is evidence to suggest that getting outdoors has a positive impact on mental health and physical wellbeing and the Myplace project is about embracing that."

The Lancashire Wildlife Trust has also secured an additional £630k in funding from the European Social Fund, that has resulted in the Myplace project being able to increase employability prospects for those members of the community that are currently furthest away from the jobs market, including some young people, women and members of ethnic minority communities.

The expanded project will also include the establishment of two new 'Men in Sheds' projects that enable older men to work on practical projects to develop new skills and build self-confidence.

Mike Winstanley, health and skills project manager at the Lancashire Wildlife Trust, said: "By working with local communities through Myplace, we have a wonderful opportunity to make a real difference to many people's future health and employability prospects."

The Myplace project is delivered throughout Skelmerdale, Chorley, Preston, Blackburn and East Lancashire running various environmental activities to improve urban community greenspaces.

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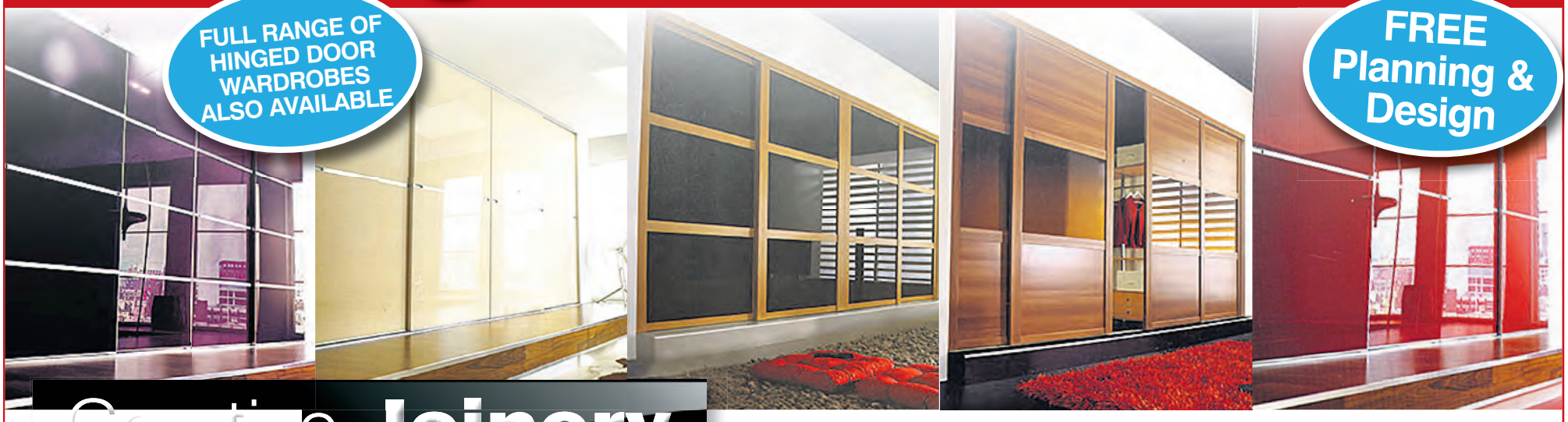

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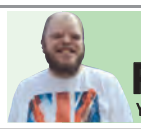

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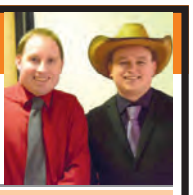

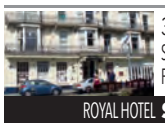

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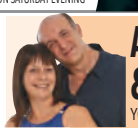

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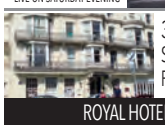

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Bishop takes on role of Liverpool Pride patron

LIVERPOOL Pride has revealed a new Patron for the 2017 festival which takes place over two packed days this month.

The Bishop of Liverpool, the Rt Rev Paul Bayes, says he is delighted to back the region's established annual celebration of all things LGBT+, and is looking forward to taking part in this year's festivities.

Liverpool Pride 2017 takes place on Saturday, July 29 and Sunday, July 30 with the spectacular entertainment returning to the stunning St George's Quarter for a third year.

The festival, in its eighth consecutive year, has an exciting star-studded line-up to make the 2017 free event a colourful celebration of all things LGBT+.

Thousands of people are expected to take to the streets for the colourful annual Liverpool Pride March on Saturday, July 29 as it winds its way around the city centre. Bishop Paul will be among those invited to speak at the Muster outside St George's Hall ahead of the march setting off on its route.

Atomic Kitten are headlining the main Barclays Festival Stage on 29 July, while there is also a packed programme planned for the annual We Are Family day on Sunday, July 30.

And there is a busy line-up of Pride Community events including exhibitions, workshops, music, literature, theatre and Pride at the Pictures.

Meanwhile a host of Liverpool landmarks will be lit in rainbow colours as part of the Come Out of the Shadows initiative - helping make Liverpool the most visibly LGBT+ city in the UK.

Bishop Paul said: "Ever since the tragic death of Michael Causer, Liverpool Pride has stood for the struggle for justice as well as the celebration of LGBTI+ life in our city and region. I am privileged to identify with Pride's contribution to tackling prejudice and promoting awareness of the richness of our LGBTI+ community.

"As a Christian, I really believe that Jesus wants a community where all are included and free from fear.

"Now we all know that the Christian church in general, and the Church of England as part of that, can get itself into a twist over inclusion and equality issues. I myself have been advocating in the church for LGBTI+ inclusion, and all Christians have to agree that homophobia and hate crime are evil and are to be resisted.

"Pride respects people of all religious beliefs.

"At the recent meeting of our General Synod the Church of England made some clear and positive statements resisting so-called conversion therapy and exploring services of welcome for trans people who want their true identity to be recognised before God.

Paul Bayes, Bishop of Liverpool

"When I came to Liverpool three years ago and met LGBTI+ Christians across Merseyside, and in particular our Open Table LGBTI+ Christian community, I saw again the real joy we can know as a church when we are open and welcoming to all."

The theme of this year's Pride is International Love, complementing the city's wider 50 Summers of Love festival, which celebrates 50 years since the decriminalisation of homosexuality.

Liverpool Pride's Lucy Day added: "We are all delighted that the Bishop is to be a patron of Liverpool Pride, and we welcome him to the Liverpool Pride family. We're very much looking forward to him joining us at Pride weekend this month.

"Pride respects people of all religious beliefs."

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Arron Sparks proves just why he goes by the name of the Yo Yo Guy, using Guinness World Record breaking skills to unite and amaze his audience. This prize-winning YoYo act has wowed audiences throughout the world.

Completing the line-up is Mandy Muden who will have audiences laughing aloud with her mixture of comedy and magic stylings in her first ever appearance at The Epstein Theatre.

Next up, Abracadabra, is an hour-long family magic show on Saturday 16 September, starring award winning magician Nick Barnes.

For more details visit the website: www.epsteinliverpool.co.uk

Festival organisers with Lord Mayor Cllr Malcolm Kennedy

Musical talent to headline festival

LIVERPOOL Loves organisers have revealed the first wave of musical talent in an impressive line-up which will entertain festival goers next month.

The festival was officially launched at Hilton Liverpool.

Delegates were welcomed by Festival Director Josh Boyd who provided an exciting overview of what to expect from this year's Liverpool Loves. The Lord Mayor of Liverpool Cllr Malcolm Kennedy then provided the opening speech.

The main event, which takes place on Saturday, August 5 and Sunday, August 6, will welcome a whole host of top and up-and-coming singers and musicians who will take to the main stage in Derby Square as part of the 2017 event.

Festival fans will be able to enjoy more than nine hours of amazing music on August 5, and seven sizzling hours of top tunes on the second day of Liverpool Loves.

Saturday's line-up will be curated by The Guide Liverpool and SoulFest, and will run from 11am to 9pm. Sunday's programme will run from 11am to 7pm, hosted by The Rider Podcast with John Gibbons from The Anfield Wrap.

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4, 11, 18, 25 Aug	7, 14, 21, 28 Aug
1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Sep	4, 11, 18, 25 Sep
£130	£229

Clifton Hotel
Scarborough
• Overlooking North Bay • Lift • Car Park (fee)
★Stunning North Sea views★

★2 Nights Arrive Friday	★4 Nights Arrive Monday
28 Jul	24, 31 Jul
4, 11, 18 Aug	7, 14, 21, 28 Aug
1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Sep	4, 11, 18, 25 Sep
£89.95	from £159.95

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4, 11, 18, 25 Aug	7, 14, 21, 28 Aug
1, 15, 29 Sep	4, 11, 18, 25 Sep
from £55	£119.95

North Wales
Prestatyn
• Indoor pool • Entertainment • Car park
★Half board breaks ★Kids 2-13 half price ★

★2 Nights Arrive Friday	★4 Nights Arrive Monday
21, 28 Jul	24, 31 Jul
4, 11, 18, 25 Aug	7, 14, 21, 28 Aug
1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Sep	4, 11, 18, 25 Sep
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Llandudno

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★2 Nights Arrive Friday	★3 Nights Arrive Friday	★4 Nights Arrive Monday
from £85	£119.95	£159.95
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4, 11, 18, 25 Aug	4, 11, 18, 25 Aug	7, 14, 21, 28 Aug
1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Sep	1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Sep	4, 11, 18, 25 Sep
6, 13, 20, 27 Oct	6, 13, 20, 27 Oct	2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Oct

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30 Jul	21, 28 Jul	21, 28 Jul	24, 31 Jul
6, 13 Aug	11 Aug,	4, 11, 18, 25 Aug	7, 14, 21, 28 Aug
3, 10, 17, 24 Sep	1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Sep	1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Sep	4, 11, 18, 25 Sep
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4, 11, 18, Bank Hol 25 Aug	7, 14, 21, Bank Hol, 28 Aug
1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Sep	4, 11, 18, 25 Sep

New President Hotel
Blackpool
• Lift • Car Park (fee) • Entertainment
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★2 Nights Arrive Friday	★4 Nights Arrive Monday
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11, 18 Aug	7, 14, 21, 28 Aug
1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Sep	4, 11, 18, 25 Sep

Bay Royal Hotel
Whitby
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★3 Nights Arrive Friday	★4 Nights Arrive Monday
£145	£239
21, 28 Jul	24, 31 Jul
4, 11, 18, 25 Aug	7, 14, 21, 28 Aug
1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Sep	4, 11, 18, 25 Sep

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★2 Nights Arrive Friday	★4 Nights Arrive Monday
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1, 8, 22, 29 Sep	4, 11, 18, 25 Sep

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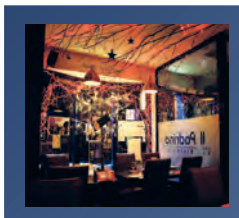

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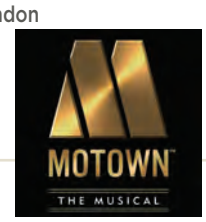

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Mary, Sons, Grandchildren and all your loving family
xxxxxx
Also,
DEEMING LAUCHLAN
9th July 1967
My beloved twin.
Never forgotten by all his loving family
xxxxxx

SPENCER BRENDA
9th July 2010
Until we meet again,
We think about you always, we talk about you still. You haven't been forgotten, and you never will. We hold you close within our hearts, and there you will remain, to walk and guide us through our lives, until we meet again.
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xxx

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(LONG LANE, BICKERSTAFFE, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of Long Lane, Bickerstaffe from a point 50 metres NW of its Junction with Graveyard Lane for a distance of approx. 50 metres.

2. The prohibition will be operative from 0900 hours on 25/07/2017 until 1700 hours on 28/07/2017 or until completion of the works within this period.

3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- Long Lane - A506 Liverpool Road - A570 Ormskirk Road - A570 St Helens Road - Park Road - Aughton Street - Holborn Hill - Long Lane and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow utilties works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager
Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701

[Ref: HRiT/7521/WH]

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West Lancashire Borough Council
Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 15
APPLICATION(S) AFFECTING A CONSERVATION AREA / LISTED BUILDING

Application No: 2017/0616/COU Sub-division of dwelling into four apartments at 38 St Helens Road, Ormskirk.

Application No: 2017/0659/FUL Proposed new garage, boundary wall and associated landscaping at Croasdale Corner, Croasdale Drive, Parbold.

Application No: 2017/0683/FUL Installation of 2 Velux windows in the roof - one South facing (above kitchen) and one East facing (above hall) at 5 Manor House Close, Rufford.

Application No: 2017/0695/FUL Installation of new first floor to main hall along with loft conversion to create one new flat. Retention of existing nursery use. Alterations to car park at Roby Mill Pre-School, Jubilee Methodist Church Hall, Roby Mill, Up Holland.

The applications are available for viewing on the Council's website www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. Alternatively, the application can be viewed during normal office hours at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at 1st Floor, The Concourse, Skelmersdale. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's web site, by e.mail to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to Development and Regeneration Services, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these must be received within 21 days of the date of this notice quoting the application no. Any comments made will be available for public inspection.

Applications for Minor Commercial and Householder Development
In the event that an appeal is made against a decision of the Council to refuse to grant planning permission for the proposed development, and that appeal then proceeds by way of the expedited procedure under the written representations procedure, any representations made to the Council about an application will be passed to the Secretary of State and there will be no opportunity to make further representations.

John R Harrison DipEnvP., MRTPI Dated: 19th July 2017
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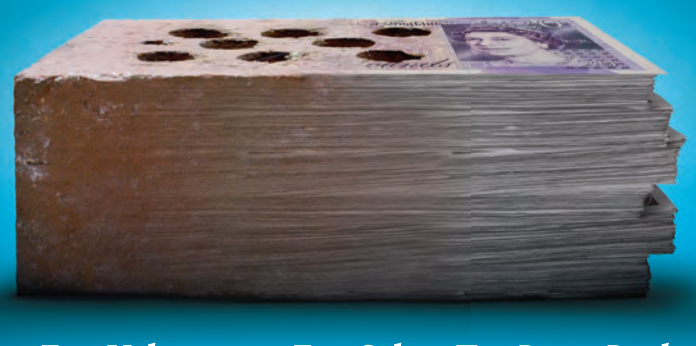
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Linda, Adrian and all the family would like to thank relatives and friends for their messages of sympathy and kind donations received in Edna's memory. Also thank you to Rev'd Ross Moughtin for the lovely service celebrating Edna's life and to Lisa at MLS Independent Funeral Directors for her words of comfort, support and dignified funeral arrangements.

BIRTHDAY MEMORIAMS

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EVELYN
15th July 1929

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CARTER
JULIE
(Nee McFarlane)
23rd July 1964
5th December 2008

In our hearts and thoughts whenever. Love Mum, Dad, Alan & Nicki

Till we meet again, over the rainbow
XXXX

DEATHS

BLAKEY
RAY
16th July 2017
Peacefully at
Beaconview Care Home
Skelmersdale
aged 90 years

The dearly loved Husband of the late Barbara, loving Dad of Paul and Peter, dear Father-In-Law of Frances and Vicki and devoted Grandad of Charlotte, Molly and Jack. Funeral Service at St. Richards RC Church, Skelmersdale on Wednesday 26th July 2017 at 10.30am followed by Cremation at West Lancashire Crematorium, Pippin Street, Burscough. Family flowers only please, donations if desired for Beaconview. All enquiries to Melanie Hardman at H. Hardman & Co., Independent Family Funeral Directors of Skelmersdale, Ormskirk & Scarisbrick. Tel: 01695 722122/720012

DEATHS

CARROLL
'OUR MICK'
Sadly Passed Away
05th July 2017

Dearly Loved Brother & Uncle

Your life was a blessing,
Your memory a treasure.
You are loved beyond words
and missed beyond measure

We miss you everyday

Love from your heartbroken little sister Lynn, Craig, Elisha & Leo xxx

CARROLL
MICK
5th July 2017
Aged 58 years

'Our Mick'

Died suddenly leaving us all with a pain in our hearts.

Give Mam,Dad and Rob a big hug.

'Love you mate'.

Broken hearted big Brother John and Sister-in-Law Bev

XX

CARROLL
MICK
On 5th July 2017
Suddenly aged 58 years

Loving Boyfriend of Cathy, devoted Dad of Dean, Natalie and Lee, a dear Father-In-Law of Rachel, Joe and Laura, cherished Grandad of Olivia, Henry, Charlotte, Phoebe, Aiden and Ivy, will be sadly missed by all his family and friends. Funeral Service will take place at West Lancashire Crematorium on Thursday 20th July at 2:30pm, family flowers only please by request, donations if desired for Macmillan Cancer Support. All enquiries Margaret Whitelam Skelmersdale Funeral Service 29/31 Sandy Lane Tel: 01695 559868

DEATHS

HUNTER
JOAN
JOSEPHINE
14th July 2017
Aged 69 years

Dear Wife of John, loving Mother of Karen, John, David & Son-In-Law Grant, Daughter-In-Law Karen & Grandchildren Danielle, Trianne, Kara & Tyler. Sadly missed by all the family. Funeral Service on Monday 24th July at St. Helens Crematorium 4.00pm. Enquiries to Devonport Funeral Services Tel: 01695 731199

CROWLEY
NEIL
13th July 2017
Aged 49 years

Beloved Son of Joan and Ted (Deceased) Dear Brother of Lyn & John, Colin & Johanna. Uncle of Kayliegh & Dayne, Max & Faye. Great-Uncle of Aliyah and Warren. Grandfather of Molly will be deeply missed by all. Funeral Service to be held on Tuesday 25th July at 2.30pm St. Richards Church followed by Cremation in St. Helens. Enquiries to Devonports Funeral Services Tel: 01695 731199

ARMSTRONG
ANTHONY
JAMES
(Tony)
7th July 2017
At his home in Ormskirk
aged 71 years

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DEATHS

CROWLEY
NEIL
13th July 2017
Aged 49 years

God saw you getting weary
A cure was not to be
He put his arms around you
And whispered come to me.
What you suffered you told so few
You didn't deserve what you went through
Tired and weary you made no fuss
But tried so hard to stay with us.
No farewell words were spoken
No time to say goodbye
You were gone before we knew it
And only God knows why.
We cannot bring the old days back
When we were all together
But memories keep you close to us
And memories last forever.
Of all the many blessings
However great or small
To have you for our Nephew
Was the greatest one of all.
The family chain is broken now
And nothing seems the same
But as God takes us one by one
The chain will link again.
It's a wonderful journey Neil
From the old world to the new
Someday we'll take that journey
Just to be with you.
And when we get to heaven
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Broken hearted

Aunty Jacqui & Uncle Keith
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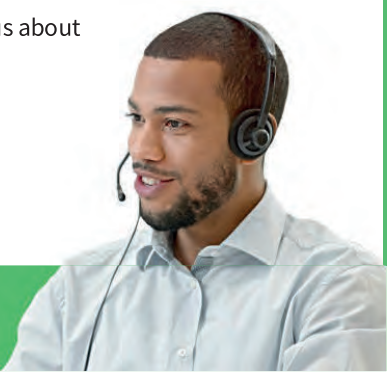

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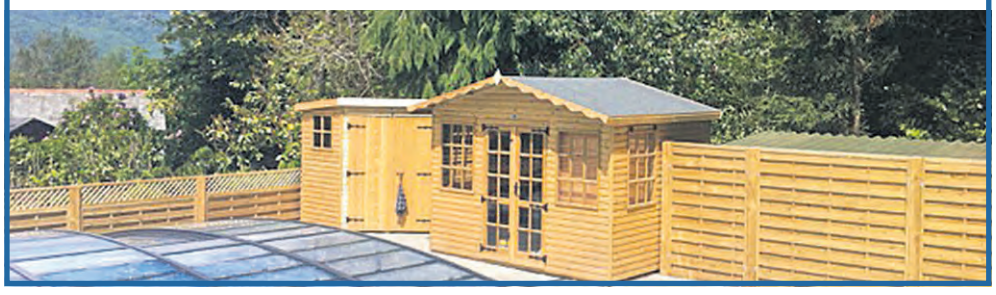

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It's only then you find you've been upstaged by an irritating mate/relative/colleague with three grand's worth of Napoleon Prestige in their garden. You can't help but marvel at all the polished stainless steel, backlit controls and ceramic plating – but it's all a bit over-engineered for burning burgers on Britain's on-average only ten hot days each year! It's not unlike the BMW 1-series I've just spent a weekend with, because it manages to be just a tiny bit too brilliant for its own good. Can a car be too, er, good for its own good? If the 116D is anything to go by, the answer's an emphatic yes. If you've never driven a 1-series then you won't appreciate that for all its slightly awkward hatchback proportions it is a proper BMW of the old school, focusing on engineering above all else.

So it has a delightfully smooth engine (even for a diesel) up front, all the power heading to the back, and perfect weight distribution in the middle.

As a result, it is a real joy to drive, with beautifully balanced steering, a low driving position and a slick gearchange. No bad thing if you're up in North Yorkshire, where I was working over the weekend.

But once you peel off the B-roads and back into the real world it's not so impressive.

The reason why the rest of the world stopped making rear-drive hatchbacks once the Vauxhall Chevette disappeared is because you have to send all the power down a propshaft to the back wheels, which in a low-slung car like the 1-series robs space.

As a result the footwell is cramped, there isn't much rear legroom and the boot isn't exactly commodious.

The sharp suspension that proves such a joy on country lanes translates into a firm ride once you're on the motorway - and I now understand, having driven it myself, why 1-series drivers never indicate.

The flickers seem incapable of self-cancelling, so why bother using them?

This is normally the point where I'd recommend buying a cheaper, roomier Golf that's very nearly as fun.

But I just can't do that because I know deep down that the 1-series is a truly capable bit of kit that really just needs more BMWness to work.

It deserves to be ordered in full fat M140i form - rather than the apologetic fully skimmed offering you get with the 116D version!

I can fully approve of a car where going for the turbocharged one with 335bhp represents the sensible option in this scenario.

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David Simister is the editor of Classic Car Weekly.

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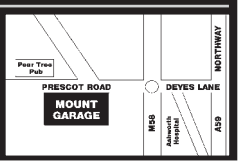

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Knight sees Ormskirk home at S&B after Firth gives them scare

ORMSKIRK are now 53 points clear at the top of the Liverpool & District Cricket Competition Premier Division after a hard fought four wicket win at Southport & Birkdale who remain bottom of the table, *writes Glenn Wallworth*.

S&B chose to bat and after tea declared their innings on 204-8 off 70 overs, thanks in the main to runs from Chris Brownlow (74), Adam Phillips (46) and 28 each from Nick Knight and Tom Baybutt.

Simon Kerrigan 4-70 and Nick Caunce 3-44 took the majority of the wickets.

In reply, Andy Baybutt (43) and Michael Jones (31) gave Ormskirk a solid platform, before four wickets from S&B skipper Chris Firth sounded a few alarm bells, an unbeaten 68* from Gary Knight and 19 not out from Kerrigan then helped the leaders to victory on 207-6 with three overs to spare.

Formby lifted themselves 17 points clear of the relegation zone with a welcome 73 run home win against New Brighton.

The hosts were asked to bat and thanks to an unbeaten 79 from Sam Oldham and a debut top flight half century from Ollie Sutton (50) declared after 55 overs on 197-7. In reply, new signing and former England paceman Ajmal Shahzad took 3-22 and Gary Keedy spun his way to 5-16 as the visitors were dismissed for 124.

Ainsdale dropped back into the danger zone after 73 run home defeat by Rainhill, the visitors chose to bat and thanks to runs from Tyler McGladdery (56), Paul Ford (40) and Ross Higham (29) were able to declare after 48 overs on 236-8, with Adam Friar 3-38 and Mal Swift 3-46 taking the bulk of the wickets.

In reply, the hosts made a decent start thanks to Faiz Fazal (28) and Andy Davies (20) and were 54-1 before the loss of regular wickets eventually saw them bowled out for 163 with Darren Tyms scoring with 59 of them, whilst Akshay Darekar 4-42 and Ryan Williams 3-46 were on form with the ball.

Northern remain in second place after a 74 run win at Wallasey, after electing to bat the visitors were indebted to skipper James Cole (58) and Elliot Bradley (50) who top scored in their 187-9 dec total, with Matthew Keogh taking 4-49. In reply, Andrew Ward top scored with 54 for the hosts, but the rest had no answer to the spin of Tom Sephton who bowled 19.4 unchanged overs to finish with 8-53.

Andrews takes 6-29 in Burscough's big win over Skelmersdale

BURSCOUGH had an 84 run home win over Skelmersdale in the First Division.

The hosts were asked to bat and opened with a half century stand before Ben Van Niekerk (55), Jon Stones (55*) and Brendan Domigan (45) took over and enabled the declaration to come after 47 overs on 246-5.

In reply, Ben Maddocks hit 33, whilst Barry Leadbetter and Matthew Fenney each scored 34 as the visitors were dismissed for 162, with Chris Andrews taking a superb 6-29.

Fleetwood Hesketh got back to winning ways in the First Division with a five wicket home win against bottom placed Hightown St Mary's.

The visitors were asked to bat and were bowled out for 101 with Nick Gordon (35), Sam Parks (18) and Josh Moran (15) the only batsmen to reach double figures, as the rest offered little resistance against the bowling of Owen Drummond 3-22 and Jack Wrigglesworth 3-33. Huw Summerfield then carried his bat with an unbeaten 44* and Wrigglesworth hit 36 as the hosts wrapped up victory on 104-5.

Skem travel to Enfield but Linnets stay closer to home for pre-season fixtures

Report by **Neil Leatherbarrow**

SKELMERSDALE United make the long trip down to north London where they will tackle Enfield Town in a re-run of the 1967 FA Amateur Cup Final.

Meanwhile, Burscough will continue their pre-season programme with a home game against Widnes on Saturday.

Most people of a certain age will know all about the day in 1967 when Skelmersdale went to Wembley and met Enfield, both clubs retain close contacts although much has changed in the 50 years that have elapsed.

Enfield are now Enfield Town after hitting troubled times and reforming themselves, while Skelmersdale fell down to the depths of the North-West Counties lower division and fought their way back.

The two teams met at Skelmersdale last summer where Enfield won 3-2, now under new management and barring one player a completely changed team, Skem will travel down the M1 on Saturday seeking revenge.

Last Saturday Skelmersdale played their first pre-season game and lost out 2-0 at Northwich Victoria, where a number of new faces were on view, new names included, Danny Ventre, Gareth Roberts and Lewis Codling, other new players where former Marine player Steve Wainwright, former Burscough defender John Holmes and Connor Smith.

One player that did impress was 18 year old winger Jack Stewart, who trialled for Skem and was immediately secured on league forms, he has previously been on a two year scholarship with League One Rochdale.

Burscough and Remyca in action during last weekend's friendly

Last Saturday Burscough made it two out of two in their pre-season with a last gasp 2-1 success at home toLitherland Remycawho are managed by former Skelmersdale coach and player Paul McNally.

On Saturday, July 29 Burscough are away to St Helens Town while Skelmersdale have what will be a tricky game away to Runcorn Linnets a team who are usually among the pacesetters in the North-West Counties League and are considered by many to be the phoenix club from the now defunct Runcorn FC and they will have a number of former Skem players in their ranks.

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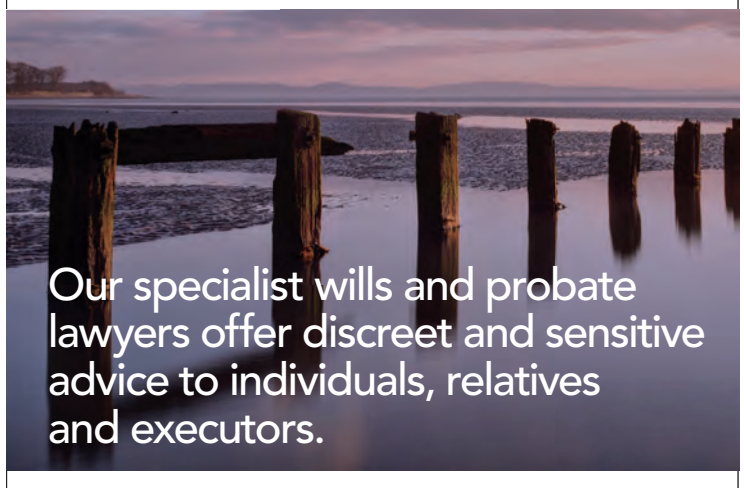

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